

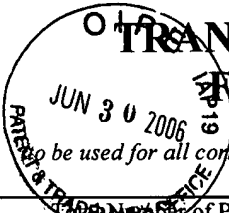
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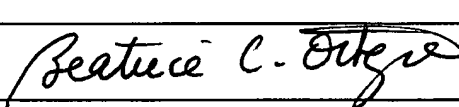
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EXAMINER: Not yet assigned

FOR: Methods of reducing and loading a metal-based catalyst into a reactor

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In accordance with the United States Patent and Trademark Office OG Notice dated August 5, 2003, waiving the requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003 and for all international applications that have entered the national stage under 35 USC 371 after June 30, 2003, Applicant has not enclosed copies of the cited U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent application publications with this Information Disclosure Statement. Applicant submitted copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature in

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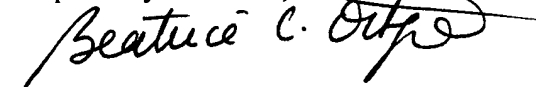
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It is submitted that the art cited does not constitute a bar to the patentability of Applicant's invention under 35 U.S.C. § 102 or § 103.

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